

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES

November 22, 2022, 7:00 PM

Meeting Location:

Robbins Police Courtroom, 2nd floor 3323 W. 137th St., Robbins, IL

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER(Time): 7:03pm

BY: Mayor Darren E. Bryant_____

Pledge of Allegiance in Unison
Lord's Prayer in Unison

ROLL CALL (TRUSTEES)

A David R. Dyson

P Ernest Maxey Jr.

P George Brewton

P Tiffany S. Robinson

P Gregory N. Jackson

P Michael Collier Sr.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

P Mayor Darren E. Bryant

P Village Clerk Sharon Dyson

P Administrator Shuntai Sykes

QUORUM ESTABLISHED? YES

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES NOVEMBER 8, 2022

It was moved by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Brewton to approve
Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Maxey, Brewton, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Dyson

Motion Carried

II. COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thursday November 24, from 11-2pm free hot Thanksgiving dinner at Faith Learning center 13715 Turner Ave. Robbins, IL.
- Utility assistance at William Leonard Library every Monday from 9am-2pm. CEDA intake site for Robbins.
- Annual Senior Christmas party December 10, from 2pm-6pm at Kellar Middle School 14123 Lydia Ave. Please rsvp by Dec. 8 by calling 708-470-9894 or email Lgosa@robbins-il.com
- 16th annual Metra safety contest. Currently soliciting for entries for Metra's 2022-2023 Safety Poster and Essay Contest. Deadline Friday Jan 20. 2023. Check Metra.com for more information.
- Village Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance for the Holiday.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- A. Mayor's Report- Happy Holiday! This past Saturday the 2nd Annual Turkey and Ham giveaway was a success, thank you to all sponsors for donations over 400 hams and turkeys were given to residents. See Trustee Robinson to get turkey seniors top priority. Demolition started on Homan Ave. There are over 100 abandoned homes in the Village Gerald Steward and Corey Baker are leading the project. Mayor gave stats on previous

spending for demolition, and we are becoming self-sufficient by purchasing our own equipment, the completion slated for Spring 2023. (Handed out printed report)
Village Administrator Sykes – coordinating Village benefits, employee handbook completed, working with Paylocity to finalize HR component. Responding to issues and maintaining compliance with OSHA, IEPA and USEPA. (Handed printed report)
Chief Malley – new ambulance passed state inspection. 1 member passed inhouse training to drive. Still accepting EMT and firefighter EMT applications. Tasked with identifying all light post that are out in Village. (Handed out printed report)
Chef Sheppard- Robbins is in a MOU with the Cook County Sheriff they will aide when deemed necessary. Read report with financial breakdown, breakdown of crimes and arrest, self-initiated police stops. Interviews in process. Having some issues with CalComm on obtaining necessary documents to be sent to the state for final approval. Update- reports of check fraud have increased lately, robbing USPS worker, please use more direct way to deliver checks. Washing checks and depositing them online. Frontline looking into partnering citizen portals can take reports of different types. MWRD meeting next week to discuss what to do with the minerals found.

B. Clerk's Report- 11/8- 11/22: \$550.00 collected in transfer stamps, \$30.00 in vehicle stickers collected and \$3,460.00 collected from the flea market.

C. Treasurer's Report- Report given by Finance director Mr. Kemp
Total overall accounts – beginning balance \$1,030,749.98, intake \$ 632,194.32, expended \$745,105.66, ending balance \$917,838.64.

It was moved by Trustee Brewton to accept the treasurers report in the amount of 917,838.64 seconded by Trustee Jackson

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Maxey, Brewton, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Dyson

Motion Carried

IV. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Trustee Robinson- Thank you to all that came out to the Turkey and Ham giveaway. Thank you to all other entities that had giveaways for the community. Worth Township has resources available to help with Christmas and Pathlights has resources for seniors. If you see any illegal dumping, please call it in. Thank you to the residents on Central Park for adhering to no parking signs. New 1 cent tax will be enforced, first payment due Feb. 20, 2023 there will be a meeting scheduled soon with all business that this pertains to, and a letter sent out. Business owners please make sure your business is registered with the Village to avoid any fines or penalties. Contact the Village Clerk to get your business registered and into compliance. COW meeting on Dec. 13 at 5pm. Trustee gave her contact information.

Trustee Collier- V/A read report regarding the water department. Water meter installations are being done, \$87,279.01 collected during the month of October. (Handed out printed report)

Mr. Baker- Public Works- first two homes demolished. Moving forward at a rapid pace if you know homeowners that homes will be demolished, please have them reach out to the building department. Once demo starts lots will be backfilled and trucks will be unloading

dirt onto the property. MWRD will be dumping please don't be alarmed. There was a water main break 135th and Crawford. If you have rodent issues, go to the Village website to give notice. Please sign up for Robo calls to stay informed about pertinent issues happening in the Village, click the resident link and follow the prompts to sign up. The snowplows are coming soon as we prepare for the winter months. Reminder of holiday garbage pick-up schedule.

V. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, ETC.

A. A Resolution Approving USEPA Administrator of Consent

Mayor explained need for resolution

It was moved by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Collier and Maxey to approve
Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Maxey, Brewton, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Dyson

Motion Carried

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Business license for JR Tire Shop and Auto Repair, 13406 S Pulaski

Business owners came up and gave background about business.

It was moved to approve by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Collier

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Maxey, Brewton, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Dyson

Motion Carried

B. Approval of Employee Handbook

It was moved to defer by Trustee Collier seconded by Trustee Brewton

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Maxey, Brewton, Robinson, Jackson, Collier

Absent: Dyson

Motion Carried

Discussion regarding the plumbing issues at the Robbins Community Center. Plumbing company coming at 10am tomorrow to address concerns and obtain bid.

Trustee Brewton stated that he met with President Roberson and the board needs to find a long-term solution. Trustee Robinson asked for inspection report.

VII. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

- Mrs. Murphy- stated that her heart is in the community center and stated that a letter from the block clubs was addressed to the board and she hand delivered them to the Clerk and has not received a response from anyone.
- Ms. Echols- concerned about Mr. Foster on Harding with the dogs?

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Robinson seconded by Trustee Jackson to adjourn.

Upon unanimous vote in the affirmative meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Village Clerk, Sharon Dyson


